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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

## Waiver of Service of Summons

10:	Elliot Richardson &	Associates	
	(NAME OF PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY OR UN	REPRESENTED PLAINTIFF)	
I, Con	anty of Kendall, Illinois (DEFENDANT NAME)	, acknowledg	e receipt of your request
that I waive service of sum	SHUNNA mons in the action of LAWSON	WILLIAMS v. DE	
which is case number	08 C 0753	(CAPTION OF ACTION OF ACTI	ed States District Court
for the Northern District of	(DOCKET NUMBER)  Illinois.		
I have also received a by which I can return the si	copy of the complaint in the action gned waiver to you without cost to	n, two copies of this in	nstrument, and a means
I agree to save the cos by not requiring that I (or t manner provided by Rule 4.	t of service of a summons and an ache entity on whose behalf I am ache	dditional copy of the coting) be served with	omplaint in this lawsuit judicial process in the
I (or the entity on whos jurisdiction or venue of the of the summons.	e behalf I am acting) will retain all court except for objections based or	defenses or objections on a defect in the sum	to the lawsuit or to the mons or in the service
I understand that a judg	gment may be entered against me (	or the party on whose	e behalf I am acting) if
an answer or motion under I	Rule 12 is not served upon you wit		02/05/08
or within 90 days after that	date if the request was sent outside	the United States.	ATE REQUEST WAS SENT)
2/19/08 (DATE)	- Sennetter 1	Nickelson (SIGNATURE)	
Printed/Typed 1	Name: <u>Rennetta</u>	Nickelson	
As Clerk and New		dall Co	unk
(IIIE)		(CORPORATE DEFEND	ANT)

## **Duty to Avoid Unnecessary Costs of Service of Summons**

Rule 4 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure requires certain parties to cooperate in saving unnecessary costs of service of the summons and complaint. A defendant located in the United States who, after being notified of an action and asked by a plaintiff located in the United States to waive service of summons, fails to do so will be required to bear the cost of such service unless good cause be shown for its failure to sign and return the waiver.

It is not good cause for a failure to waive service that a party believes that the complaint is unfounded, or that the action has been brought in an improper place or in a court that lacks jurisdiction over the subject matter of the action or over its person or property. A party who waives service of the summons retains all defenses and objections (except any relating to the summons or to the service of the summons), and may later object to the jurisdiction of the court or to the place where the action has been brought.

A defendant who waives service must within the time specified on the waiver form serve on the plaintiff's attorney (or unrepresented plaintiff) a response to the complaint and must also file a signed copy of the response with the court. If the answer or more time to answer than if the summons had been actually served when the request for waiver of service was received.